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**To:** All Stakeholders

**From:** Brittani Trujillo, Case Management Services Coordinator

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**Subject:** COMMUNICATION BRIEF

Provide the presentation and final report regarding waiting list and enrollment management of the Home and Community Based Services for Persons with Developmental Disabilities waiver

**Purpose:** To provide all stakeholders the presentation from the Regional Forum Meetings where attendees provided input about recommended changes to current enrollment and waiting list management for the Home and Community Based Services for Persons with Developmental Disabilities (HCBS-DD) waiver as well as the final report provided by the LNuss Group with research and recommendations.

**Background:** House Bill 14-1051, requires the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (the Department) to review the statutory definition of waiting list and make recommendations concerning amendments to the definition, including exceptions to the waiting list protocol. In addition, legislation requires the Department to collaborate with persons with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (I/DD), legal guardians, case managers, and any other stakeholders.

In the spring of 2017 the Department contracted with the LNuss Group to conduct research on other states pertaining to the management of waiting list and enrollments for waivers similar to the HCBS-DD waiver. Upon completion of this research, the LNuss Group provided draft recommendations which were presented to stakeholders across the state in May 2017. Feedback was obtained from the meetings and taken into consideration for the final recommendations. The LNuss Group provided a final report with recommendations to the Department on June 30, 2017.

**Information:** The presentation used for stakeholder meetings contains a summary of research and initial recommendations. The feedback from stakeholder meetings was



considered when final recommendations were developed. The final report includes more detailed research information, summaries of stakeholder feedback, and final recommendations for the Department. The Department is currently considering the feasibility of the recommendations and will engage stakeholders in the next steps.

**Attachments:**

Report to the Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing: A Review of National I/DD Medicaid Home and Community Based Services 1915(c) Waiver Waiting List Management Practices and Analysis of Colorado's Home and Community Based Services-Developmental Disabilities Waiver, Waiting List Statute, Policies and Procedures

PowerPoint Presentation: Waiting List Management Home and Community Based Services Waivers Serving Individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities. A Presentation on Colorado's Waiting List System, National Practices, and Recommendations for Consideration and Feedback

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